SRI MALLIKARJUNA KHARGE:—This is a general question. At least one should know how many staff members belonging to SCs STs are worki g in the institution.

SRI V. M. KUSHNOOR.—If a specific question is put, I will answer it. Question rega ding different regions has not been put ; it is only a general question.

MR. SPEAKER.—Whatever that may be, if there is regiings imbalance, you have to provide justice. We have to note the feelings of the hon'ble members.

SRI N. DHARMA SINGH.—We want specific answers from the Minister.

Running of Buses from Ramanagaram to Bangalore

1122 A K. ABDUL SAMAD (Ramanagaram).—Will the Minister for Transport and Tourism be pleased to state.—

(*a*) the number of Karnataka State Road Transport Corporation buses plying between:

(i) Bangalors to Mysore and vice-verse scheduled to stop at Ramanagaram;

(ii) How many such buses actually stop at Ramanagaram ;

(*b*) whether there is any proposal before Government to ply buses between Ramanagaram to Bangalore to meet demand of the travelling passengers ?

SRI R. GUNDU RAO (Minister for Transport and Tourism).—

(*a*) (i) 14 Buses as per schedule in either direction.

(ii) All.

(*b*) No ; as there are 45 other schedule operating from Bangalore and touching Ramanagarm.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎನ್. ಧರ್ಮಸಿಂಗ್.—ರಾಜ್ಯದ ಮಾರ್ಕೆಟಿಂಗ್ ಫೆಡರೇಷನ್ ಇದುವರೆಗೂ ಏನೇ ಕೆಲಸ ಮಾಡಿದರೂ ಎಲ್ಲ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆಗಳಿಗೂ ಸಾಕಷ್ಟು ಪ್ರಾಶಸ್ತ್ಯವನ್ನು ಕೊಟ್ಟಿಲ್ಲ. The employment problem is a very big problem. ಹಿಂದೆ ಇದ್ದ ಮಂತ್ರಿಗಳು ತಮಗೆ ಬೇಕಾದವರಿಗೆ ಕೆಲಸ ಕೊಟ್ಟುಕೊಂಡು ಬಂದಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಆದರೆ ಇನ್ನು ಮುಂದಾದರೂ ಈ ರೀತಿ ಆಗದಂತೆ ಕ್ರಮ ಕೈಗೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತೀರಾ ?

† SRI V.M. KUSHNOOR —In the Board, representatives of the Districts and Regions are there. The Board is competent to appoint the officials and now we have recently constitute another committee but earlier there was Committee for the appo ntment of people to these institutions. They have to look-after the cause of these people. It is

difficult to issue all sorts of instruction and some times, these instructions will be challenged by the courts. This regions and other things will go against the Constitutions. About the Constitutional reservations to SCs/STs, they have to give and we are following it up, and ifcertain institutions are not following these reservations, we will see that they follow the reservation rules, strictly. There is no question of going against the Government Order relating to that matter inview of the Constitutional guarantee given to him.

SRI R. PRABHAKAR TELKAR.—The imbalance is there. only 26% persons have been taken in that particular Federation. I fully agree with the Hon. Minister that there is no Constitutional right to claim that.....

MR. SPEAKER.—When there is a Constitutional obligation, every department must follow it very strictly. it is man datory.

SRI PRABHAKAR TELKHR.—The Government is fully aware that so much of imbalance is there. Will the Government issue dirction to the conderned authorities to improve this position and see that the employment opportunities are increased ?

SRI V M. KUSHNOOR• -They are also having Recruitment Committees, in the Recruitment committees after seeing their marks and after the interview, they select the candidates. I cannot assure now at this stage that they must take from certain regions only. After all, it is a part of our State and it is very difficult to issue such kind of instructions.

SRI GOVIND P. VADEYARAJ— It has come to the knowledge of most of the members that the co-operative institutions do not follow the Constitutional provision in respect of employment and also reservations. they argue that since they are the autonomous bodies and since they are functioning under the Co-operative Societies Ac, and rules, they need not make any reservations. That being the caset and also since your Government is committed to the welfare of all the people including SCs/STs and backward Classes, will yo kindly take urgent and immediate necessary action to see that all the Constitntional provisions including that of reservations are followed by the Co-operative Societies and institutions?

SRIV.M. KUSHNOOR.—They are bound by that. Constitutional obligation is there. Earlier the co-operative institution themselves allowed to recruit the staff but now we have appointed cert in Committees to each institutions nd in that Committeethe nominess of the the Registrar of Co-operative Sccieties and director of social welfare and backward Classes are there. It isthere in District and state levels

They are observing the Constitutional obligation regarding reservations. All the Recruitment Committees must see that the Constitutional guarantees are safeguaraded, and I think we are at it and nobody can deny it.

SRI G.B. SHANKAR RAO.—The Hon. Minister while replying has said that the Federation was in existence ven long before the re-organisation. Even 23 years after re-organisation, I don't think the position has improved. The big disparity is there. The Hon. Minister should not give such an evasive answer. He must plainly admit that there is an imbalance in the matter of recruitment of emplyees even after the re-organisation. He cannot say that they are not under his control. Morally, they are bound to do whatever you say. Will the Hon. Minister do some thing toimprove the position

SRI V.M. KUSHNOOR.—The Government cannot issue a direction that in certain districts, only certain persons should be taken.

SRI MANIKRAO PATIL.—It is a most irresponsible attitude. He must admit it. The whole problem, agitating the minds of the New Karnataka people is that there is regional imbalance. What has happened in Ardhra and other places regarding regional imbalance? He should bear those things in mind. We want justice. We don't want the mercy of any Government.

MR. SPEAKER.—If the Hon. member still feels that he is not satisfied with the answer, he may please send a notice and I will allow it for Half-an-Hour discussion. I am here to ventilate the grievances of the hon.Member.

The hon. Member Sri M.C. Basappa's question is held over since the Hon. Minister has gone to Delhi in connection with some meeting with the Prime Minister.

Now Questions are over. I will take up the Calling Attention to a matter of urgent public importance.

QUESTIONS FOR ANSWER ON THE DAY
(but not taken up)

Salary paid to the Lecturers in the B.Ed. Colleges

171 SRI H. GANGADHARAN (Krishnaraj).—Will the Minister for Education be pleased to state :—